

*In Lakshana area  
via Council*

# Memorandum

**To:** John Tolley, **Planning** and Administrative Chief, Department of Community and Regional Affairs and Public Facilities

**cc:** **Bayview** Corporation & **Ivanof** Bay Village Council Members

**From:** Alfred Kalmakoff, President, **Ivanof** Bay Village Council

**Date:** 09/14/99

**Re:** STIP

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## Comments:

After reviewing our community's Project Needs Location Report on DOT & PF's web site, the following needs to be updated/revised in order of priority:

1. Access Road to Stepovac Bay.
2. Airport Construction needs to be changed to Airport Reconstruction.
3. New Dock/Landing Site.
4. Delete Airport Master Plan. This has been completed several years ago but, was denied by the Department of Fish and Game because of its location near the salmon streams.
5. Delete the Sludge Disposal Site Access Road. This project has been completed with the assistance of Lake and Peninsula Borough. ,

Comments: The 1,500' Access Road is currently used as an airstrip by Peninsula Airways and was originally intended for access to a new airstrip site. Although a Master Plan was completed several years ago, it was denied by the Department of Fish and Game because of being too close to the salmon streams. There are formal plans for expansion of future homes and a newly completed construction of a Subsistence Road in that area. It is clear that an airstrip in this area would not be feasible.

This temporary airstrip (access road) being utilized currently, is not long enough as required by FAA. The Community Health Aide Practitioner is unable to request medevacs due to this inadequacy. This has caused problems in getting medical emergencies transported out of the village and has jeopardized the life of patients.

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Having access to the Stepovac Airstrip would enable:

- 1) medevacs for medical emergencies;
- 2) allow bigger jets to land such as Reeve Aleutian Airways providing better air, freight, and mail service. Also, the ability to bring tourists in not only from Anchorage but from Russia;
- 3) the marketing of fish and crab; and
- 4) would bring expanded access to other areas such as a new dump site. The site originally thought to be a good site near the sludge site has its water table just seven feet below the surface and a new site needs to be carefully considered.

I hope this updated information is useful in changing the priority of our community's transportation improvement plan. If you have any questions, please feel free to call upon me at 669-2200 (office) or 669-2219 (home).

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